



## Chemical Dependency Professionals Board

### OCDP Board Prevention Committee Meeting

Wednesday, April 26, 2023 12:30-3:30pm

Location: Prevention Action Alliance, 6171 Huntley Rd., Columbus OH 43229

Matthew B. Schoonover Educational Center

### MINUTES

**1.a Chair Georden Burton called the meeting to order** at 12:40 pm and called the roll.

Present: Georden Burtin, Barbara Adams Marin, Trish Farrar, Jim Ryan, Molly Stone, James Syphax

Staff: Jill Smock, Director , Kris Quinn

Absent: Phil Adkins, Derek Longmeier, Alysia Longmire, Kevin Rigby

**1b. Review and Approval of Minutes** from last meeting:

Minutes were approved with the following change: in the last bullet of the Director's report, change the name of the organization to *Ohio Behavioral Health workforce Advisory Council* (Molly Stone 1<sup>st</sup>, James Syphax 2<sup>nd</sup>)

### **1c. Announcements from the Field**

- Jim Ryan announced that OPPA is convening a workgroup to consider how Prevention professionals can respond to local opposition re: SEL education and skill building. An email will be going out soon to OPPA members who expressed interest in participating.
- Molly Stone commented that the numbers allocated for Prevention in the next budget (\$14 million) look good, although not all details are finalized. Money requested for suicide prevention was reduced from \$7 million/year to \$3.5 million. There is no news on any increase for Medicaid rates.

### **2. Director's Report**

- The new OCDP Board website will go live July 20, 2023.
- Jill shared data comparing the number of Prevention credentials in FY22 and FY23.

# Applications received	FY22	FY23
Registered Applicant	472	531
OCPSA	103	254
OCPS	43	64
OCPC	13	20

- There was a large increase in the number of applications overall. The # of persons taking the exam increased from 22 in FY22 to 45 in FY23. NB: This is the number of

tests taken and does not represent the number of unique applicants. The pass rate was 87% (39 pass/6 fail).

- Comparison of active certifications in FY22 and FY23:

# of Active Certifications		
as of 06.30.2023	FY22	FY23
<b>Registered Applicant</b>	802	873
<b>OCPSA</b>	280	418
<b>OCPS</b>	181	192
<b>OCPC</b>	160	162
<b>Total certifications</b>	1430	1645

- Jill highlighted changes under Prevention in 4758.2
  - There is a new definition of Prevention Services
  - There is a new fee schedule for conversion applications and providing continuing education
  - The discount for holding dual credentials is eliminated.
  - The age for persons renewing with part-time work status (<20 hr/week) for a reduced fee is now 65 years of age
  - Failed audit fees are allowed, but still undecided how to apply; may vary depending on what is missing; will communicate to the field
    - Will continue to communicate to the field and emphasize getting CEs into CE Broker and keeping contact information current in e-license and with board
- The question of what happens when someone fails an audit was discussed
  - 1<sup>st</sup> step is a written reprimand (may keep credential)
  - Required to complete missing hours within 90 days
  - The make-up hours cannot be used for renewal or application for another credential
  - Failed audit appears in the public record as “Board Action”

### 3. Discussion of Ohio Certified Prevention Consultant

Derek sent questions to consider during the discussion: What are the barriers and reasons for people not obtaining the OCPC? Suggested sending survey to the field- reason for not advancing to higher level of credential or obtaining OCPC

Reasons for having the OCPC: Prevention will be my career; want to be at the top of the field; have been in the field a long time

Reasons for not obtaining the OCPC: I don't need it; can “supervise” with OCPS, there is no pay increase;

Agree labels on the education categories are confusing and a barrier

### 3a. Education content/hours/requirements for the OCPC

- Discussion centered around the Prevention Core Competencies recently published by SAMHSA
  - OhioMHAS is getting lots of questions related to these in connection with workforce development- will these be required for the Prevention exam?
  - It is unclear if the SAMHSA Core Competencies were considered by IC&RC when developing the new exam; Great Lakes PTTC is offering trainings – how do these align?
  - Molly Stone offered to do a comparison between SAMHSA Core Competencies and IC&RC
  - Discussed using the wording from the Core Competencies (p.35) for categories when revising the content for education hours: *Knowledge of Strategic Planning, Resource Allocation/Deployment/Sustainability, Leadership Development, Coordination of People & Resources*
  - Intentionally create trainings needed to match the categories to administer programs and/or supervise people- *how many hours in each category?*

### 3b. Supervision vs Administrative Experience- clarify the distinctions

Background- the OCPC was established as part of the original credential and there was a “loose” understanding the “C” was a higher level of credential. The OCPS was the entry level credential and the OCPC would involve running programs; the issue of supervision others is unclear.

- Distinguishing between management & supervision- manage/administer programs - supervise people Ask Board to create a *board statement*; Jill and Georden will draft for Board
- Emphasize skills/experience/practice in the categories-describe using verbs (actions)- hours should align
- Create a parallel grid for 4000 hours of practical experience in categories (Strategic Planning, Resource Allocation/Deployment, Leadership Development, Coordinating People & Resources)- *how many hours in each category?*
- OPPA is contracting with OCAM to develop basic course for supervising Prevention and bullet points to guide supervisor when completing form/signing off (especially for those allowed to supervise outside Prevention field)

### 3c. Scope of Practice

- Suggestion to reduce barriers to OCPC: suggested to look at minimum education requirements with # years of experience to apply for OCPC
  - Base level = AA degree; pass exam for OCPS
  - #X years of experience working as OCPS
  - 90 hours of education and practical experience as defined for OCPC; more verification of skills by appropriate supervisors

**4. CE Providers** – Discussed issues and challenges for Board staff when reviewing trainings submitted for preapproval for renewals. It is not feasible to have the OCDPB's staff responsible to approve renewal hours k validity/applicability ahead of a renewal. Committee discussed

possible list of approved entities to include in a list similar to how the list is for treatment licenses renewal as approved entities. Georden will take list to the Board.

- OCDPB will accept trainings that are preapproved by OCDPB or an approved Ohio behavioral health licensing board
  - CADCA and National Prevention Network Conference
  - International Council on Responsible Gaming
  - National associations such as NAADAC, NASW, ASWB, NBCC, APA as long as prevention focused training as defined in 4758.
  - PTTC (those with focus on Prevention as defined in 4758)
  - SAMHSA Prevention Day as part of CADCA conference
  - *Copies of the course description, objectives and content may be necessary for approval*
- Trainings from national providers outside of Ohio not previously approved may not be accepted but exceptions may be made and may require a description, agenda & syllabus to show content and demonstrate relevance to Prevention
- Would like CE Broker will remove the option for “training not previously approved”
- Need to communicate to the field about the parameters- suggested utilizing COE for help

**5. Review Specific Prevention Education Content Area Definitions-** postponed discussion

**6. Motions for the Board- Board statement on defining administering or supervising the services , CE providers approval**

**7. Other Business**

- Update on the Credential Change proposal- will be part of a larger overhaul and incorporate the changes at the same time
- Suggested Board’s name change and include Prevention
- Trish Farrar recognized Director Jill Smock for addressing key issues and moving the field forward
- Jill noted that due to a recent job change, Mary Wolff will no longer serve on the Prevention Committee. Jill has reached out to OSPF to see about another representative with expertise in suicide prevention. Georden will follow up re other names suggested for vacancies on the committee.

**The meeting was adjourned at 3:47pm** (James Syphax 1<sup>st</sup>, Jim Ryan 2<sup>nd</sup>)

**Next meeting- Tentatively October 12, 2023 at PAA**

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Committee Chair

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